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In re Application of :
Raymond W. Ellis :
Application No. 09/899,833 : **DECISION ON PETITION**
Filed: July 5, 2001 :
Attorney Docket No. ASYS-01002US0 :

This is a decision on the petition to withdraw the holding of abandonment under 37 CFR 1.181, filed January 4, 2008.

The petition is **GRANTED**.

The above-identified application was held abandoned for failure to timely file corrected drawings in response to the Notice of Allowability mailed June 27, 2007. This Notice set a statutory period for reply of three (3) months. No drawings having been received, the application became abandoned on September 28, 2007. The Office mailed a Notice of Abandonment on October 24, 2007.

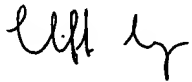
On petition, petitioner argues that the Notice of Allowability's requirement for corrected drawings was made in error.

A review of the file confirms that petitioner previously filed corrected drawings on September 21, 2001, and that such drawings were indicated in multiple Office actions as having been accepted by the Examiner. Accordingly, from reviewing the file, it is obvious that the Notice of Allowability's requirement for corrected drawings was made in error.

In view thereof, **the holding of abandonment is withdrawn.**

The matter is being forwarded to the Office of Patent Publication for processing into a patent, using the corrected drawings filed September 21, 2007.

Telephone inquiries regarding this decision should be directed to the undersigned at (571)272-3207.

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